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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the U.S. Patents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

A copy of the United Kingdom Search Report dated July 23, 2004, citing these U.S. Patents, is also enclosed herewith.

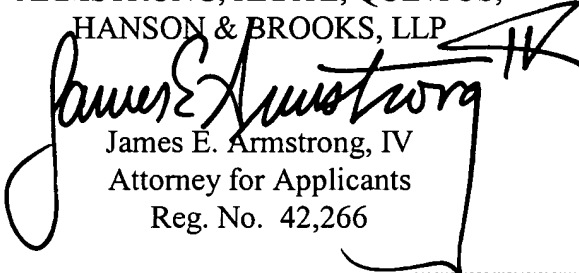
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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